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Dear Sir or Madam:

Dated: 16 July 2004

In addition to PCT/EP2003/000615 filed 22 January 2003, this application also claims priority to German Application Number 102 02 304.2 filed 22 January 2002, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

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